

PRESENTATION BY SIGECO and Indiana Gas Company d/b/a VECTREN ENERGY DELIVERY OF INDIANA, INC.

BEFORE THE INDIANA UTILITY REGULATORY COMMISSION

NATURAL GAS FORUM

AUGUST 9, 2002



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- Robbie Sears -- Director Customer Service
- Frank Lindsey -- Director Gas Supply
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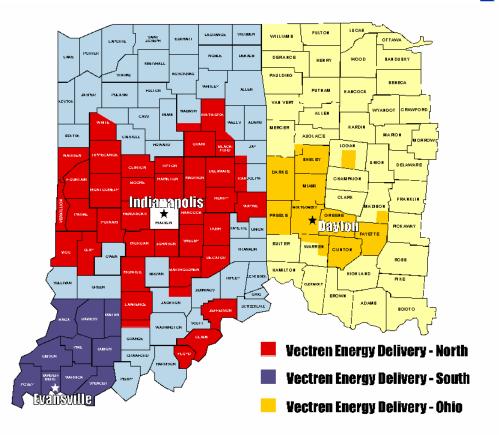


Presentation Outline

- 1. Vectren Energy Delivery Gas Operations Overview
- 2. Review of 2001-2002 Heating Season
- 3. Vectren's Gas Procurement Strategy
- 4. Outlook for 2002-2003 Heating Season



Service Area Map





Gas Operations Overview (MDths)

	VEDI-South (SIGECO)	VEDI-North (Indiana Gas)	Indiana <u>Total</u>	<u>Ohio</u>	Vectren <u>Total</u>
Customers - 2001	110,393	530,188	640,581	311,824	952,405
Annual Demand-2001					
Sales	12,179	63,368	75,547	36,694	112,241
Transportation	19,743	48,931	68,674	18,845	87,519
Total Deliveries	31,922	112,299	144,221	55,539	199,760
Design Day Peak Demand (Sales only)	l 188.7	938.2	1,126.9	542.5	1,669.4



Monthly Residential Winter Gas Bill Comparison

Winter (Nov-Mar)	VEDI-North (IGC)	VEDI-South (SIGECO)
2001 - 2002	\$100.29	\$79.21
2000 - 2001	\$158.81	\$120.62
Cost Decrease	\$58.52	\$41.41
% Decrease	37%	34%



- Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP)
 - Federal funds distributed through local Community Action Program agencies
 - Emergency HEAP assistance to prevent disconnection or assist in reconnection of service
 - Income eligibility requirement of 125% of poverty level

VEDI-North

- 19,703 Customers
- **•** \$3,860,107

VEDI-South

- 13,474 Customers
- \$1,861,636



Fall Assistance Program

- LIHEAP Income Eligibility was required 125% of poverty level
- Vectren funds were available for reconnection or to avoid disconnection for gas and/or electric service
- Reconnection Fee was waived
- Deposit requirement was waived
- Program expired December 31, 2001

_	VEDI-North	VEDI-South

- 3,190 Accounts

• 2,245 Accounts



HELP 2001 Program

- Goodwill Industries administers funds being made available to help customers avoid disconnection or to reconnect
- Funds are from Lilly Foundation grant in 2001
- Income eligibility required
 - 125% 175% of poverty level
- Maximum one-time payment of \$300
- Customers contact Vectren to apply for funds
- VEDI-North
 - 1,414 Accounts
 - \$322,774

VEDI-South

- 253 Accounts
- \$53,464



Share the Warmth

- Program funds were provided to CAP agencies for LIHEAP customers
- Vectren provided 2002 seed funding of \$500,000
- Vectren committed to match public contributions up to a total cap of \$200,000
- CAP agency's administered fund distribution
- <u>VEDI-North</u>
 - 1,600 Customers
 - **•** \$301,175

VEDI-South

- **1,035** Customers
- \$219,664



Payment Programs

Budget Bill Program

- Open enrollment throughout the year
- Account must be current to enroll
- Current participation of over 107,000 customers

Payment Arrangements

 Vectren offers both short-term payment extensions as well as long term payment arrangements to assist customers having difficulty paying a past due bill or to avoid disconnection of service.

Deferred Payment Plan

 Vectren offers a deferred due date program for senior citizens to coordinate the due date of monthly energy payments with the receipt of monthly Social Security or pension checks.



Proposed Assistance Programs

- Continue Share the Warmth
 - \$500,000 Seed
 - \$200,000 Match of Public Contributions
- Continued Support of LIHEAP program
- Promotion of Budget Bill, Payment Arrangements & Deferred Due Date
- December Bill Credit for IGC Customers of \$6.35M--Estimated at \$6.50/Customer
- Contribute an estimated \$1.04 million for Customer Assistance Programs in 2003, 2004, and 2005



Financial Impacts to Vectren Corporation Due to High Gas Costs

- Interest expense on bank loans to finance higher accounts receivables, unrecovered gas costs, advances through budget billing, gas inventory, etc.
- Uncollectable accounts expense increase
- Funding of low income assistance programs
- Customer education, legal and regulatory costs
- Higher UAF gas costs



Unrecovered Gas Cost Balances (in Millions)

	<u>VEDI-North</u>	VEDI-South	Indiana <u>Total</u>	<u>VEDO-Ohio</u>	<u>Vectren</u> <u>Total</u>
Oct. 31, 2000	\$20,039	\$9,559	\$29,598	\$ 8,156	\$37,754
Mar. 31, 2001	\$55,479	\$29,828	\$85,307	\$28,528	\$113,835
Oct. 31, 2001	\$44,890	\$10,621	\$55,511	\$12,197	\$67,608
Mar. 31, 2002	\$36,077	\$10,521	\$46,598	\$ 7,771	\$54,369
Jun. 30, 2002	\$32,456	\$12,284	\$44,740	\$ 2,892	\$47,632



Portfolio Approach to Gas Acquisition

Customer Winter Deliveries

Component	VEDI- South (%)	VEDI- North (%)	Indiana <u>Total (%)</u>
Advance Purchases	38.9	16.7	20.3%
Storage Withdrawals	39.7	31.4	32.7%
Fixed Subtotal	78.6	48.1	53.0%
FOM Purchases	13.0	5.6	6.8%
Swing Purchases	8.4	46.3	40.2%
Market Subtotal	21.4	51.9	47.0%
Winter Season	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%



Advance Purchases Calendar

<u>Quarter</u>	<u>Example</u>	% of Base Load Fixed by end of Current Quarter
Current	Jun-Aug 2002	
1 st Succeeding	Sep-Nov 2002	75-100%
2 nd Succeeding	Dec 2002-Feb 2003	40-75%
3 rd Succeeding	Mar-May 2003	20-60%
4 th Succeeding	Jun-Aug 2003	10-30%
Thereafter	Sep-Nov 2003	0-15%

Base Load is defined as the non-heat sensitive portion of firm sales plus available storage capacity.



Maximum Seasonal Storage Working Capacity (Bcf)

	VEDI-North	VEDI-South	TOTAL INDIANA
Company Storage	5.04	7.00	12.04
Contract Storage/Delivered Services	18.50	4.21	22.71
TOTAL	23.54	11.21	34.75



Major Gas Supply Basins





Mitigation Effect-Price Fly-Up

• Scenario 1: Gas costs in Current GCA quarter exceed the average cost of the fixed-priced purchases ("fly-up").

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<u>Component</u>	% of Deliveries	Average Price
Advance Purchases	38.9	4.50
Storage Withdrawals	39.7	3.75
FOM Purchases	13.0	7.75
Daily Purchases	8.4	9.00
Total	100.0	5.01

• Market prices of \$7.75 and \$9.00 are mitigated by lower-priced advanced purchases and storage withdrawals to achieve a \$5.01 weighted average price.



Mitigation Effect - Market Drop

• Scenario 2: Gas costs in Current GCA quarter are less than the average cost of the fixed-priced purchases ("market drop").

<u>Component</u>	% of Deliveries	Average Price
Advance Purchases	38.9	4.50
Storage Withdrawals	39.7	3.75
FOM Purchases	13.0	2.75
Daily Purchases	8.4	3.50
Total	100.0	3.89

• Market prices of \$2.75 and \$3.50 are averaged with higher-priced advanced purchases and storage withdrawals to achieve a \$3.89 weighted average price.



Upcoming Portfolio Enhancements

- IURC Order in Cause No. 37394 GCA50S1
 - Gas Cost Incentive Mechanism (GCIM)
 - Current Market Purchases-FOM and Daily Index
 - Price Volatility Mitigation
 - Financial derivatives Futures and Options
- Increase VEDI-North hedged winter purchases
- Lengthen time period for Advance Purchases



Factors Impacting 2002-2003 Outlook

- Rig count leveled off
- Gas storage levels are at all time record levels
- Industrial demand still slowed by weaker economy
- Relatively hot summer (thus far) resulting in increased gas demand by electric generation
- Weak El Nino anticipated for the 2002-2003 winter and little hurricane activity to date
- Production levels declining



Current Wellhead Price Projections

	NYMEX *	<u>Proj. A**</u>	<u>Proj. B ***</u>	PROJECTION <u>AVERAGE</u>
Nov. 02	3.261	3.40	3.30	\$3.32
Dec. 02	3.521	3.60	3.70	\$3.607
Jan. 03	3.669	3.65	4.00	\$3.773
Feb. 03	3.642	3.55	4.00	\$3.731
Mar. 03	3.601	3.50	4.00	\$3.701
Winter Average	\$3.539	\$3.54	\$3.80	\$3.626

^{* 07-31-02} NYMEX Close

^{** 07-16-02} Proj. A Monthly Briefing

^{*** 07-24-02} Proj. B - U.S. Gas Market Forecast



Concluding Comments

- Portfolio Approach Effectively Mitigates Volatility
- Additional Portfolio Enhancements Forthcoming
- •Consider GCA Pricing Flexibility to Mitigate Gas Cost Under Recoveries
- Assistance Programs in Place for Next Winter
- Current Outlook for Wellhead Prices is Moderate